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### STUDY ON PREPARATION OF GUAVA JAM BLENDED WITH CARROT AND TULSI LEAVES

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#### ABSTRACT

Guava, Carrot and Tulsi leaves are used to preparation of jam. Jam is prepared from fruit pulp by boiling with sufficient quantity of sugar to a moderately thick consistency. There are different types of fruit jams like strawberry jam, mango jam, pineapple jam, apple and mixed fruit jam. Hence an attempt was made to find out the possibilities of mixing Guava, Carrot and Tulsi leaves for making jam and utilizing a major portion of marketable surplus of Guava. Guava, Carrot pulp and Tulsi leaves extract was blended in the ratio of 50:50:0 (T<sub>1</sub> Control), 55:45:5 (T<sub>2</sub>), 45:50:5 (T<sub>3</sub>) and 40:60:5 (T<sub>4</sub>) respectively to prepare blended jam. The treatment of T<sub>2</sub>, 55 gm guava pulp, 45 gm carrot pulp and 5 ml Tulsi leave extract, shows significantly less titratable acidity (1.05%), TSS (69.2°Brix), total sugar (67.28%), moisture content (75.32%), pH (4.41), ascorbic acid (95.95mg), reducing sugar (4.70%), non reducing sugar (24.81%) and Total sugar (28.64%). Among the blended jam, the highest score for colour (9), flavor (9), consistency (8), taste (8) and overall acceptability (9) was judge in the treatment T<sub>2</sub> (55 gm Guava pulp, 45 Carrot pulp and 5 ml Tulsi leaves extract). Treatment T<sub>2</sub>, 55 gm guava pulp, 45 carrot pulp and 5 ml Tulsi leaves was more in red colour. It can be feasible at pilot level or commercial level.

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#### INTRODUCTION

India is bestowed with varied agro climatic condition, so it can produce a wide variety of fruits and vegetables. It ranks seconds in fruits and vegetables production in the world, after China. (National Horticulture Database (NHD) published by National Horticulture Board, during 2012-2013). India produced 81,285 million metric tonnes of fruits and 162.19 million metric tonnes of vegetables.

Guava (*Psidium Guajava L*) fruit is one of the richest sources of vitamin C. It contains 4 to 10 times more vitamin C than some citrus fruits. The guava contains very little vitamin A or carotene. However, it is fairly rich in most other mineral nutrients. The pulp is rich in ascorbic acid, carotenoids, lycopene, β-phenolic compounds, flavonoids, essential oils, sesquiterpene alcohols and triterpenoid acids. These all compounds are related to many health effects of guava. Some authors have found high concentrations of carotenoids (beta-carotene, lycopene, and beta-cryptoxanthin), vitamin C and polyphenols in guava pulp. (Anthony, 2000).

The carrot (*Daucuscarota L*) belongs to the family Apiaceae. Carrot contains moisture content in between 86 to 89%. Chemically, carrot contains 0.2% fat, 0.9% protein, 1.1% total

ash, 1.2% crude fibre, 2.2 mg/100 g Fe, 10.6% carbohydrate, 80 mg/100 g Ca, and 53 mg/ 100 g P (Bao and Chang, 1994). Carrots are particularly rich in carotene (provitamin A). Carrots are good source of fibre which is good for the health of digestive system. Among vegetables, carrots have greater amount of sugar, indicated by its sweetness (Lingappa and Naik, 1997). It is also a rich source of many vitamins like A, C, b-carotene, B1, B2 and B3 and minerals like calcium, potassium, phosphorus, sodium and iron. The red colour of carrot is due to lycopene which it contains. Dietary fibres are helpful in prevention of heart diseases and carrots are good source of dietary fibres, carotenoids and phenols compounds (Bao and Chang, 1994), that is why it helps in prevention of diabetes, cardiovascular disease and stroke (Scalbert and Williams, 2000).

Tulsi, scientific name (*Ocimum sanctum Linn*), is considered a holy plant. Two varieties of Tulsi found in india include black and green. Traditionally it is also considered to have medicinal properties mention in Atharveda and is also a component medicine of Ayurveda. It is member of mint or labiatae family from India. (Rajput, 2012). Tulsi is often enjoyed as a simple herbal tea and is frequently blended with other herbs and spices

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for various medicinal and culinary purposes. Medicines is from leaves, seeds and stems commonly used for cold, influenza, H<sub>1</sub>N<sub>1</sub> (swine flu), hepatitis, bronchitis, stress cancer, headache, heart disease, malaria, digestive disorder. This is powerful anti-oxidant demonstrated as antifungal, antibacterial. Act as anti-inflammatory, immunomodulatory increases metabolism and lowering down stress hormones. It has strong immunomodulatory and Adoptogen to counter life style diseases in cancer, hypertension, diabetes and stress. (Ralph miller *et.al*, 2003).

The development of new products with high proportions of fruit in their formulations and good functional and nutritional properties contributes to the diversification of the market possibilities, especially if they are attractive, practical and have a long shelf life (Martín-Esparza, *et.al*. 2011). Jams are basically prepared from fruits and various sugars that are made considerable mainly by heat treatment. There are different types of fruit jam like strawberry jam, mango jam, pineapple jam, apple jam and mixed fruits jam. The demand of jam in the market is increasing day by day due to the changing lifestyle of the peoples. The jam is mostly used in the breakfast with bread. The jam is also preferred by the children with chapatti. So to aware the people regarding the nutritive value of the guava, carrot and tulsi leaves. The objectives were the developments of a jam blended with guava, carrot and tulsi leaves, the physical-chemical and sensory evaluation of this new product.

**MATERIALS AND METHODS**

**Preparation of Jam**

Healthy, mature and undamaged guava and carrot procured from local market of Chiplun, District Ratnagiri, Maharashtra. The ripened guava and carrot were cleaned to remove dirt. The cleaned guavas and carrots cut into small pieces with stainless steel knife and water was added at 300 mL/kg of fruit and boiled for about 25-30 min with continuous stirring separately. The pulp was extracted from above procedure. The total soluble solid (TSS) of the guava pulp was in the range of 10.5-10.9 °Brix. These pulps were used for preparation of jam. Tulsi leaves extract was extracted by washing and grinded in the mixer grinder. Guava, carrot and tulsi leaves pulp was blended in the ratio of 50:50:0, 45:55:5, 55:45:5 and 60:40:5 respectively (Table 1) to prepare the jams by addition of desired quantities of sugar, citric acid and pectin.

**Table 1** Experimental design for preparation of jam

Treatment	Guava pulp (%)	Carrot pulp (%)	Tulsi extract (ml)
T1 (Control)	50	50	0
T2	55	45	5
T3	45	55	5
T4	40	60	5

**Determination of Physical and Chemical Properties Of Jam**

The moisture content was determined by using air oven method. CIE-L\*a\*b\* colour coordinates (10° observer and D65 illuminant) were obtained using tintometer (Lovibond, PFX195, UK). The L\*, a\*, and b\* values indicate lightness/darkness, greenness/ redness, and yellowness/ blueness, respectively (Renuka, *et al*. 2010). The pH value of the sample was measured with a digital glass electrode pH meter (CD 175 E) at room temperature, which was calibrated

prior to sample pH measurement using buffer solutions of pH value 4.0 and 7.0 (Ranganna, 1989). The method of Lane and Eynon was used for determination of sugars (total sugars, reducing sugar and non-reducing sugar) was described by (Ranganna, 1989). Total soluble solid of blended jam was determined by digital refractometer. It should not be less than 68°Brix. Titrable acidity: took one g blended jam and dissolve it in 20 mL distilled water, add two to three drops of phenolphtheline indicator then titrate it with 0.1 N NaOH till pink colour appears. Titrable acidity can be calculated as in Equation.

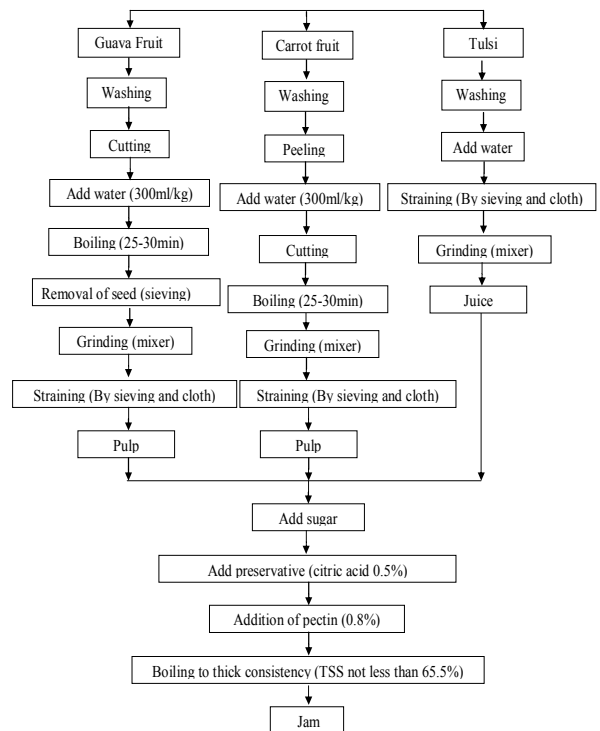
$$Ta (\%) = \frac{0.685 \times 0.1 \times B}{W} \times 100$$

Where, Ta is titrable acidity, B is the reading of burette and W is the weight of sample.

Ascorbic acid: Ascorbic acid is an important constituent of fruits and vegetables. It is a reducing agent, and is determined by its reaction with 2, 6- dichlorophenol indophenol. The dye which is blue in alkaline solution and red in the acidic solution is reduced to colourless form. Took 10-20 mL of fruit juice or 10 g of solid food and blend it with 3% HPO<sub>3</sub> to make the total volume of 100 mL, filter or centrifuge this material. The ascorbic acid can be calculated as Equation (4).

$$A_a = \frac{T_r \times D_f \times V_m \times V_s}{V_e \times W_t} \times 100$$

where, Aa is ascorbic acid; Tr is titer; Df is dye factor; Vm is volume of solution made; Vs is volume of sample; Ve is volume of extract; Wt is weight of sample taken. Ascorbic acid is an important constituent of fruits and vegetables. Ascorbic acid was determined by micro kjeldhal method.



**Figure 1** Flow chart for preparation of Gauva jam blended with Carrot and Tulsi extract

### Sensory Evaluation

Sensory characteristics of the product of different treatment such as general appearance, texture, taste, flavor were evaluated by panel of judges using nine point Hedonic scale [IS:6273-part2 (1971)].

The sensory evaluation was carried out for colour, taste, appearance and over all acceptability. Samples of the guava jam blended with carrot and tulsi leaves were served for the evaluation of above parameters to twenty panelists. The score sheet was provided with product and panelists were requested to mark the product score according to their liking. Based on the individual marking the average score was computed.

The analysis of variance with Graph Prism Pad 6 was used for this evaluation.

## RESULT AND DISCUSSION

### Colour

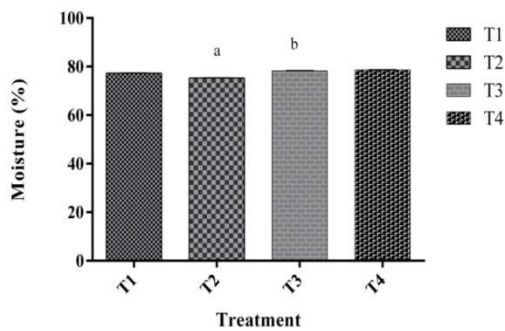
One of the most important parameters to which consumers are sensitive when selecting foods is the colour. The Tintometer was used to record the colour parameters of jam samples. The units within the L\*, a\*, b\* system give equal perception of the colour difference to a human observer. The average L\*, a\*, b\* values of jam samples are presented in Table 2. The values of L\*, a\* and b\* varies from 63.65 to 65.78, 5.39 to 5.89 and 15.77 to 21.62 respectively. The a\* and b\* of T2 was maximum might be due to high amount of Gauva pulp and incorporation of Tulsi extract.

**Table 2** Effect of colour parameter on Guava jam blended with Carrot and Tulsi

Treatment	Colour		
	L*	a*	b*
T1	63.65±0.50	5.39±0.76	18.84±0.65
T2	65.47 <sup>c</sup> ±0.45	5.89 <sup>c</sup> ±0.21	21.62 <sup>c</sup> ±0.58
T3	65.78 <sup>b</sup> ±0.34	5.77 <sup>b</sup> ±0.56	15.77 <sup>b</sup> ±0.62
T4	63.82 <sup>a</sup> ±0.64	5.45 <sup>a</sup> ±0.27	19.64 <sup>a</sup> ±0.71

### Moisture Content

The moisture content of guava jam blended with carrot and tulsi leaves was determined. Three replications were taken and the data is given in the Table 2. The value of mean Moisture content was found maximum in T<sub>4</sub>. T<sub>4</sub> was having maximum moisture content as compare to T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> and T<sub>3</sub> because of high ratio of fruit composition taken in the jam. The value of Moisture content was found minimum in T<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure 2** Moisture content of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample

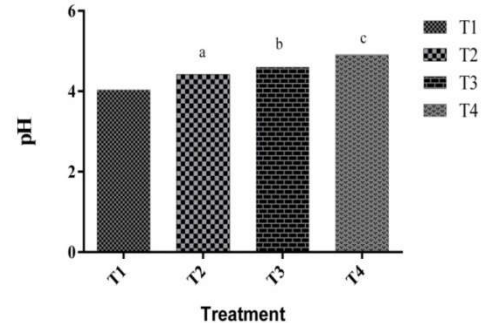
The amount of moisture content in T<sub>2</sub> and T<sub>3</sub> was less than T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>4</sub>. The high moisture content of jam (equivalent to an equilibrium relative humidity of about 82%) makes it susceptible to mould damage once the receptacle has been opened and exposed from some time to the air. No problems of microbiological spoilage are likely to arise in the canned product during storage.

### pH

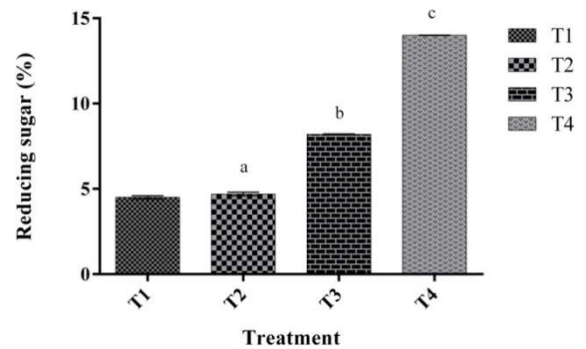
The pH was found to be in the range of 4.03 to 4.91 i.e. acidic in nature. The results were represented in Table 2. The range of the pH value for T<sub>3</sub> was 4.91. Patil *et. al.* (2013) and Correa *et al.* 2011 resulted the pH value of guava jam blend with sapota was 4.97 and 4.03 respectively. Jam is acidic in nature because of Ascorbic acid present in the fruits and citric acid used to prevent jam from microbial growth. Acidity of the fruit or its pH value is one of the most important factors in jam process which should be monitored and controlled. The pH of the fruit sample is very important, as it helps in the formation of optimum gel in the preparation of jam. Indeed, acidity is an imperative fact influencing pectin gelation, texture and overall quality of fruit jams (Garrido, Lozano, & Genovese, 2015).

### Reducing sugar and Non-reducing sugar

The results of reducing sugar and non reducing sugar were represented in table 2. The range of pH value of reducing sugar and non reducing sugar was 4.70% to 14.00% and 22.20 to 60.82. Reducing sugar means the amount of sugar present in the fruit pulp which we used for preparation of jam. The similar results are obtained by Patil MM *et al.*, (2013) in guava jam blended with sapota.



**Figure 3** pH of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample



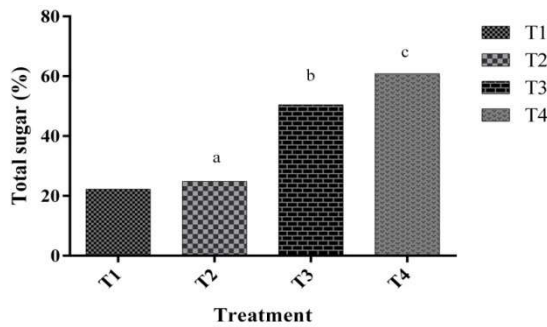
**Figure 4** Reducing sugar of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample



The Non-reducing sugar for T<sub>4</sub> was 60.82%. The increase in reducing sugar is caused by conversion of sucrose to glucose and fructose, due to temperature and acidic condition (Shah *et al.*, (2015); Singh *et al.*, (1999))

**Total sugar**

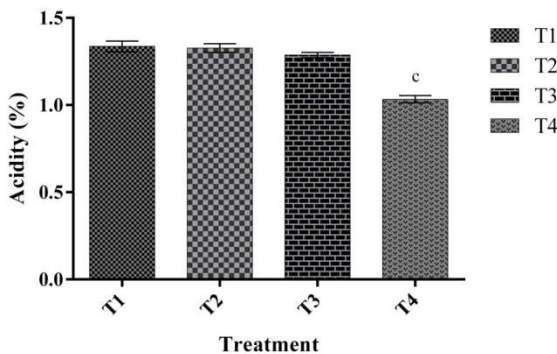
The total sugar was obtained in the range from 26.81 to 67.28. The maximum percentage of total sugar was found in T<sub>4</sub> and minimum percentage of found in T<sub>1</sub>. Total sugar means the total amount of sugar present in the jam. The increase in total sugar is mainly due to the hydrolysis of starch. The increase in reducing sugar might be due to the inversion of non reducing sugar to reducing sugar during storage. The inversion of non reducing sugar was due to the presence of acid along with high temperature that speed up the inversion process (Shermat *et al.* 2017). Similar results were also obtained by Iboyaima Singh *et al.* (2000), Richard *et al.* (1963), and Rajanala *et al.* (1995), while working on the enzymatic liquefaction of mango, grapes and banana fruits respectively. They have observed a significant increase in total sugar and reducing sugar content of grape juice and banana juice prepared using pectinolytic enzymes, and our results are also in agreement with these findings.



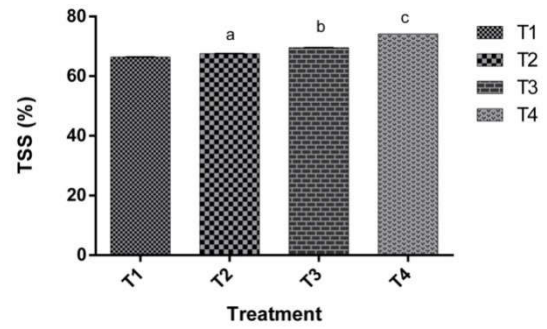
**Figure 5** Total sugar of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample

**Titratable acidity**

The data for titratable acidity is given in Table 2. The range of titratable acidity was 1.33 to 1.03. T<sub>4</sub> had maximum amount of titratable acidity than T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> and T<sub>3</sub> which may be due to the enzymatic de-esterification and degradation of pectin resulting in an increase of total acid and hence, decrease in pH values.



**Figure 6** Titratable acidity of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample



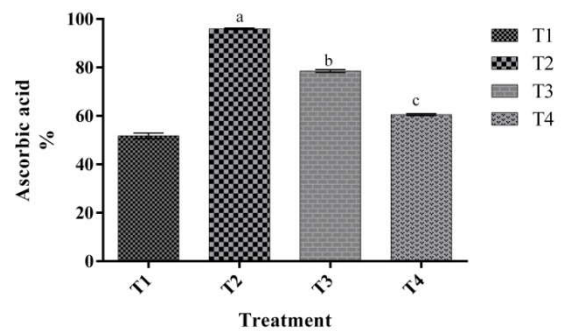
**Figure 7** Total soluble solid of blended jam of Guava, Carrot and Tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample

**Total soluble solid (TSS)**

The data is represented in Table 2. The range of TSS found in guava jam blended with carrot and tulsi was 66.4 to 74.2%. The TSS present in the T<sub>2</sub> is maximum than T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>4</sub>. The increase TSS in T<sub>2</sub> might be due to the degradation of polysaccharide in the presence of acid. Also most of the solid become soluble slowly due to which the TSS increased gradually. Similarly, Khan *et al.* (2012) also observed an increase in TSS from 66.5 to 68.8 0 brix in fruit jam. Ehsan *et al.* (2003) and Ehsan *et al.* (2002) also found an increase in TSS (70 to 70.8 0 brix) in watermelon and lemon jam.

**Ascorbic Acid**

The range of Ascorbic Acid found in Guava jam blended with Carrot and Tulsi was 51.10 to 95.95%. Guava and Tulsi is rich in ascorbic acid and for preparation of jam guava was used so it is necessary to find out the ascorbic acid. T<sub>1</sub> having minimum amount of ascorbic acid as compare to T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>4</sub>. T<sub>2</sub> having maximum amount of ascorbic acid because it contain high amount of Gauva pulp and Tulsi extract which. T<sub>1</sub> having manimum amount of ascorbic acid. Similar finding obtained by Baliji *et al.* 2012 studied on aonla jam blended with herbs. They found that 100.1 mg/100g ascorbic acid in Aonala jam blended with tulsi herb. Ascorbic acid is the most important nutrient that represents the quality characteristics of the product, which is substantially affected due to oxidation during processing and storage (Veltman *et al.*, 2000).



**Figure 7** Ascorbic acid of blended jam of guava, carrot and tulsi extract. Values are expressed in mean ± SD (n=3) (p ≤ 0.05). a, b and c represent significant difference between T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>2</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>1</sub>×T<sub>4</sub> of the jam sample

**Sensory Evaluation**

Sensory evaluation is important tool in food industry sensory evaluation is scientific discipline used to evoke measure, analyze and interpret reaction to those characteristics of food

**Table 3** Effect of physiochemical parameters on Guava jam blended with Carrot and Tulsi

Sr. No.	Parameters	Chemical analysis			
		T1	T2	T3	T4
1.	Moisture content (db)	77.31±0.21	75.32±0.43	78.32±0.41	78.64±0.56
2.	pH value	4.03±0.55	4.41±0.67	4.60±0.71	4.91±0.2
3.	Reducing sugar, %	4.50±0.6	4.70±0.45	8.19±0.23	14.00±0.65
4.	Non-reducing sugar,%	22.20±0.51	24.81±0.63	50.41±0.39	60.82±0.72
5.	Total sugar,%	26.81±0.71	28.64±0.45	44.20±0.48	67.28±0.41
6.	Titration acidity,%	1.33±0.2	1.32±0.27	1.28±0.59	1.03±0.68
7.	Total Soluble Solid, °Brix	66.40±0.44	69.20±0.37	69.50±0.61	74.50±0.25
8.	Ascorbic acid, mg/100g	51.10±0.42	95.95±0.29	78.54±0.21	60.54±0.45

perceived through the sense of sight, smell, touch and taste. The panel of 20 semi trained judges were given the Guava jam blended with carrot and tulsi leaves samples for evolution of organoleptic characteristic viz appearance, colour, taste, flavor, and overall acceptability. The mean score for sensory evaluations presented in appendices K. It showed that the sensory score of all sample was in acceptable range.

The data of sensory evaluations in the appendix K show that addition of fruits, sugar and citric acid shows improvement in appearance, colour, taste, flavor. The composition of maximum quantity of fruits, sugar and citric acid in T<sub>2</sub> with respect to T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>4</sub> got highest score in colour (8). The sample T<sub>3</sub> had lower score (6) as compared to T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub>, this was because the T<sub>3</sub> had less quantity of fruits, sugar and citric acid as compared to other. The colour of sample varied from faint red to dark red. The darker colour was due to higher number Sugar and citric acid.

Taste is primary factor which determines the acceptability of any product which has the highest impact as for as market success of product is concerned, the score for taste had also been valid with the increase in composition of fruits, citric acid and sugar. The sample having highest quantity of fruits, sugar and citric acid T<sub>2</sub> was rated highest (9) in taste while the T<sub>4</sub> was rated (8), T<sub>3</sub> was rated (7) and T<sub>1</sub> was rated (6) respectively. The score for flavor increased with increase in composition.

The sample T<sub>2</sub> was rated highest for flavour (9) because of higher consistency than the other sample T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>3</sub> and T<sub>4</sub>. The T<sub>2</sub> had highest score for overall acceptability (9) and decreased with decrease in composition.

## CONCLUSION

From the present study it is concluded that th T<sub>4</sub> (55% Gauva pulp, 45% Carrot pulp and 5ml of Tulsi Extract ) has overall acceptace with references of chemical analysis, colour analysis and sensory evaluation. The jam prepared from Gauva, Carrot and Tulsi Extract has pH value 4.41 which is optimum for gel formation in Jam and ascorbic acid is 95.95 mg/ 100gm which is good supplement of Vitamin C. The jam has Total soluble solid 69.20 °Brix which is acceptable as per FPO recommendation TSS should be 68.00°Brix. More stable red colour obtained during colour analysis and sensory evaluation. It is possible from our finding that the new product can be feasible even at commercial level.

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